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1430 A Tirupati D 1445

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) No, Sir.

Buddhist Centre

6559. SHRI VIJOY KUMAR YADAV:
Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND
TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether a delegation of National
Park Services visited Rajgir (Bihar) and other
Buddhist Centres this year;

(b) whether the said delegation has
submitted any report to the Government for
the development of buddhist centres; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and espe-
cially for the development of the Rajgir and
Nalanda?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION
AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCIN-
DIA): (a) Yes, Sir. An eight member team
from National Park Service, USA visited
places of Buddhist interest in Bihar during
November, 1990.

(b) and (c). The National Park Service,
USA is preparing the final concept plans for
development of the Bodhgaya Region in-
cluding Nalanda and Rajgir. When the con-
cept plans are ready, they would be submit-
ted by the National Park Service to the
Government of India.

Import of Equipments by Air India

6560. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL:
Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND
TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether orders worth about Rs. 12
crores have been/are being placed by the Air

India with Messrs. Lintas Corporation Sal-
inas, California—a firm reportedly having been
declared "Financial Condition Unbalanced";

(b) if so, the details of equipments
sought to be imported and to what use it is
proposed to be put to; and

(c) the reasons for spending such a
huge foreign exchange in clearing this deal
by the Air India?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION
AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCIN-
DIA): (a) to (c). A letter of intent amounting to
Rs. 4.02 crores, has been issued to Lintas
Corporation for the import of Cargo loaders
and Cargo transporters, which are not
manufactured in India. Letter of Intent for an
amount of Rs. 1.62 crores has also been
placed with their Indian Collaborators viz.
Usha Telehoist Ltd.

The equipments are used for loading/
off-loading of containers/pallets on the wide
bodied aircraft. These are also used for
handling of Air India flights and flights of other
airlines at various airports in India.

Air India have safeguarded their inter-
ests as payments will be made only after the
equipment are inspected and despatch ex-fac-
tory is made, and the equipment are com-
missioned.

12.00 hrs

[English]

SHRI BASU DEB ACHARIA (Bankura):
Sir, today more than two thousand Railway
workers and employees are holding Dharna
at Boat Club. They are demanding the rein-
statement of the dismissed Railway employ-
ees. This issue was raised in this House, in
this session, twice, by the hon. Members of
this House. It was assured by the Railway
Minister that the reinstatement of the dis-